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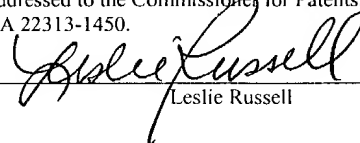
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Title: TECHNIQUE FOR SYNCHRONIZING
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Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination for the above referenced patent application is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114 in order to amend the previously allowed claims for clarification purposes to more fully define the scope of the present invention.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.